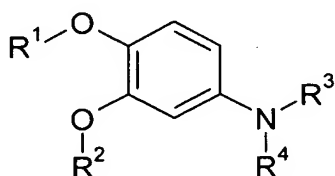


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Cancelled):
2. (Currently Amended): A compound according to Formula I:



wherein

- R^1 is H or alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen;
- R^2 is alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, cyano, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, oxo or combinations thereof, and wherein optionally one or more $-CH_2CH_2-$ groups is replaced in each case by $-CH=CH-$ or $-C\equiv C-$ $-C/C-$,
- cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl in which the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which the arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or is substituted in the aryl portion one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, or combinations thereof, and wherein in the alkyl portion one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -CH=CH- or $\text{--}\text{C}\equiv\text{C--}$ ~~C/C~~, and one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O- or -NH- and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl

having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms,
hydroxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated,
having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S
atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen,
hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12
carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or combinations thereof,
or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated,
partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at
least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion is branched or
unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is
unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion
by halogen, OCF_3 , hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms,
alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or
combinations thereof, wherein in the alkyl portion one or more $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$
groups are each optionally replaced by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ ~~$-\text{C}/\text{C}-$~~ , and one
or more $-\text{CH}_2-$ groups are each optionally replaced by $-\text{O}-$ or $-\text{NH}-$ and/or
the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy,
cyano, or combinations thereof;

R^3 is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, cyano, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, and which is unsubstituted or substituted in the carbocyclic portion one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof, and the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, cyano or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl, or

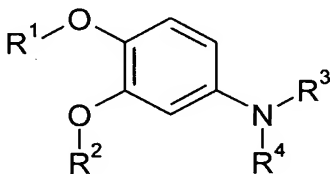
heteroarylalkyl group, wherein the heteroaryl portion may be partially or fully saturated and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heteroarylalkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted

one or more times in the heteroaryl portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof; and

R⁴ is cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. (Currently Amended): A compound according to Formula I:



wherein

R¹ is H or alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen;

R² is alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, cyano, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, oxo or combinations thereof, and wherein

optionally one or more $\text{-CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{-}$ groups is replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or $\text{-}\underline{\text{C}\equiv\text{C}}\text{-}$ -C/C- ,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, C_{1-4} -alkyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF_3 , OCF_3 , alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl in which the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which the arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or is substituted in the aryl portion one or more times by halogen, CF_3 , OCF_3 , alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, or combinations thereof, and wherein in the alkyl portion one or more $\text{-CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{-}$ groups are each optionally

replaced by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ ~~$-\text{C}/\text{C}-$~~ , and one or more $-\text{CH}_2-$ groups are each optionally replaced by $-\text{O}-$ or $-\text{NH}-$ and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, OCF_3 , hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or

combinations thereof, wherein in the alkyl portion one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- ~~-C/C-~~, and one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O- or -NH- and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof;

R³ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, cyano, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, and which is unsubstituted or substituted in the carbocyclic portion one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof, and the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, cyano or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon

atoms, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl, or heteroarylalkyl group, wherein the heteroaryl portion may be partially or fully saturated and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heteroarylalkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heteroaryl portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof;

R⁴ is aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkenyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, alkynyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, pyrrolyl, tetrazole-5-yl, 2(-heterocycle)tetrazole-

5-yl ~~tetrazole-5-yl~~, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof, or

heteroaryl having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a heteroatom, which is substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof;

R⁵ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, oxo, or combinations thereof,

alkylamino or dialkylamino wherein each alkyl portion has independently 1 to 8 carbon atoms,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms which is substituted unsubstituted, heteroaryl having one or two rings and a total number of 5 to 10 ring atoms wherein at least one of the ring atoms is a heteroatom and which is substituted unsubstituted, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino

wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic

portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof;

L is a single bond or a divalent aliphatic radical having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O-, -S-, -NR⁶-, -SO₂NH-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂NR⁶-, -NR⁶SO₂-, -CO-, -NR⁶CO-, -CONR⁶-, -NHCONH-, -OCONH-, -NHCOO-, -SCONH-, -SCSNH-, or -NHCSNH-; and

R⁶ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, C₁-₄-alkyl, C₁-₄-alkoxy, oxo, or combinations thereof;

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein

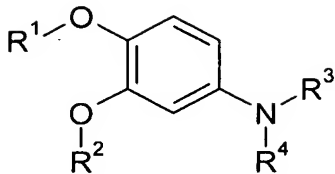
each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl;

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof

with the proviso that R^4 is at least monosubstituted by R^5-L in which L is a divalent aliphatic radical having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein at least one $-CH_2-$ group is replaced by $-SO_2NR^6-$ or $-NR^6SO_2-$ in which R^6 is aryl or arylalkyl which in each case is substituted or unsubstituted.

4. (Currently Amended): A compound according to Formula I:



wherein

R¹ is H or alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen;

R² is alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, cyano, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, oxo or combinations thereof, and wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups is replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- -C/C-,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms,

hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl in which the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which the arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or is substituted in the aryl portion one or more times by halogen, CF_3 , OCF_3 , alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, or combinations thereof, and wherein in the alkyl portion one or more $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ groups are each optionally replaced by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ ~~$-\text{C}/\text{C}-$~~ , and one or more $-\text{CH}_2-$ groups are each optionally replaced by $-\text{O}-$ or $-\text{NH}-$ and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12

carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or combinations thereof,
or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, OCF₃, hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or combinations thereof, wherein in the alkyl portion one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- ~~-C/C-~~, and one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O- or -NH- and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof;

R³ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, cyano, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, and which is unsubstituted or

substituted in the carbocyclic portion one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof, and the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, cyano or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl, or

heteroarylalkyl group, wherein the heteroaryl portion may be partially or fully saturated and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heteroarylalkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heteroaryl portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof;

R⁴ is aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkenyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, alkynyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, pyrrolyl, tetrazole-5-yl, 2(-heterocycle)tetrazole-5-yl ~~tetrazole-5-yl~~, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof, or

heteroaryl having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a heteroatom, which is substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon

atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof;

R⁵ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, oxo, or combinations thereof,

alkylamino or dialkylamino wherein each alkyl portion has independently 1 to 8,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms which is substituted

unsubstituted, heteroaryl having one or two rings and a total number of 5 to 10 ring atoms wherein at least one of the ring atoms is a heteroatom and which is substituted unsubstituted, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon

atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof;

L is a single bond or a divalent aliphatic radical having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O-, -S-, -NR⁶-, -SO₂NH-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂NR⁶-, -NR⁶SO₂-, -CO-, -NR⁶CO-, -CONR⁶-, -NHCONH-, -OCONH-, -NHCOO-, -SCONH-, -SCSNH-, or -NHCSNH-; and

R⁶ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, C₁-4-alkyl, C₁-4-alkoxy, oxo, or combinations thereof;

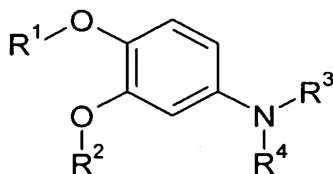
arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl;

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio

having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof,

with the proviso that R^4 is at least monosubstituted by R^5 -L in which L is a divalent aliphatic radical having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein at least one $-CH_2-$ group is replaced by $-NR^6-$, $-SO_2NR^6-$, $-NR^6SO_2-$, $-NR^6CO-$, or $-CONR^6-$ and R^6 is aryl or arylalkyl which in each case is substituted or unsubstituted.

5. (Currently Amended): A compound according to Formula I:



wherein

R^1 is H or alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen;

R^2 is alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, cyano, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, oxo or combinations thereof, and wherein optionally one or more $-CH_2CH_2-$ groups is replaced in each case by $-CH=CH-$ or $-C\equiv C-$ or $-C/C-$,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkyl

having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl in which the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which the arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or is substituted in the aryl portion one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, or combinations thereof, and wherein in the alkyl portion one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- ~~-C/C-~~, and one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O- or -NH- and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, OCF_3 , hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or combinations thereof, wherein in the alkyl portion one or more $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ groups are each optionally replaced by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ $-\text{C}/\text{C}-$, and one or more $-\text{CH}_2-$ groups are each optionally replaced by $-\text{O}-$ or $-\text{NH}-$ and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof;

R^3 is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, cyano, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, and which is unsubstituted or substituted in the carbocyclic portion one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof, and the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, cyano or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF_3O , nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl, or

heteroarylalkyl group, wherein the heteroaryl portion may be partially or fully saturated and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a

N, O or S atom, the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heteroarylalkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heteroaryl portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof;

R⁴ is aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkenyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, alkynyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, pyrrolyl, tetrazole-5-yl, 2-(heterocycle)tetrazole-5-yl ~~tetrazole-5-yl~~, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1

to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof, or

heteroaryl having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a heteroatom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof;

R⁵ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, oxo, or combinations thereof,

alkylamino or dialkylamino wherein each alkyl portion has independently 1 to 8 carbon atoms,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms,

dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms ~~alkoxy~~carbonyl, cyano, ~~acyl~~ alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms which is substituted unsubstituted, heteroaryl having one or two rings and a total number of 5 to 10 ring atoms wherein at least one of the ring atoms is a heteroatom and which is substituted unsubstituted, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S

atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof;

L is a single bond or a divalent aliphatic radical having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -NR⁶-, -SO₂NH-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂NR⁶-, -NR⁶SO₂-, -CO-, -NR⁶CO-, -CONR⁶-, -NHCONH-, -OCONH-, -NHCOO-, -SCONH-, -SCSNH-, or -NHCSNH-; and

R⁶ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, C₁-₄-alkyl, C₁-₄-alkoxy, oxo, or combinations thereof;

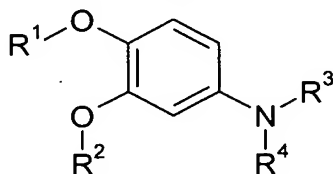
arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl;

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy,

ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof

with the proviso that R^4 is at least monosubstituted by R^5-L in which R^5 is aryl or a heterocyclic group each being substituted by cycloalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl.

6. (Currently Amended): A compound according to Formula I:



wherein

- R^1 is H or alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen;
- R^2 is alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, cyano, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, oxo or combinations thereof, and wherein

optionally, one or more $\text{-CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{-}$ groups is replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or $\text{-}\underline{\text{C}\equiv\text{C}}\text{-}$ -C/C- ,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, C_{1-4} -alkyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF_3 , OCF_3 , alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl in which the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which the arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or is substituted in the aryl portion one or more times by halogen, CF_3 , OCF_3 , alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, or combinations thereof, and wherein in the alkyl portion one or more $\text{-CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{-}$ groups are each optionally

replaced by -CH=CH- or $\text{-C}\equiv\text{C-}$ -C/C- , and one or more $\text{-CH}_2\text{-}$ groups are each optionally replaced by -O- or -NH- and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, OCF_3 , hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or

combinations thereof, wherein in the alkyl portion one or more $\text{-CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{-}$ groups are each optionally replaced by -CH=CH- or $\text{-}\underline{\text{C}\equiv\text{C}}\text{-}$ -C/C- , and one or more $\text{-CH}_2\text{-}$ groups are each optionally replaced by -O- or -NH- and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof;

R^3 is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, cyano, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, and which is unsubstituted or substituted in the carbocyclic portion one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof, and the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, cyano or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF_3O , nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon

atoms, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl, or

heteroarylalkyl group, wherein the heteroaryl portion may be partially or fully saturated and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heteroarylalkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heteroaryl portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof;

R⁴ is aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkenyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, alkynyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, pyrrolyl,

tetrazole-5-yl, 2-(heterocycle)tetrazole-5-yl ~~tetrazole-5-yl~~), hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof, or

heteroaryl having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a heteroatom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms ~~alkoxy~~carbonyl, cyano, ~~acyl~~ alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof;

R⁵ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, oxo, or combinations thereof,

alkylamino or dialkylamino wherein each alkyl portion has independently 1 to 8 carbon atoms,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms which is substituted unsubstituted, heteroaryl having one or two rings and a total number of 5 to 10 ring atoms wherein at least one of the ring atoms is a heteroatom and which is substituted unsubstituted, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino

wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic

portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof;

L is a single bond or a divalent aliphatic radical having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -NR⁶-, -SO₂NH-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂NR⁶-, -NR⁶SO₂-, -CO-, -NR⁶CO-, -CONR⁶-, -NHCONH-, -OCONH-, -NHCOO-, -SCONH-, -SCSNH-, or -NHCSNH-; and

R⁶ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, C₁-₄-alkyl, C₁-₄-alkoxy, oxo, or combinations thereof;

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein

each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl;

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof

with the proviso that R^4 is at least monosubstituted by R^5-L in which L is $-SO-$, $-SO_2-$, $-CONR^6SO_2-$, $-SO_2NR^6CO-$, or $-SO_2NR^6-$, with the further proviso that when R^4 is at least monosubstituted by R^5-L in which L is $-SO_2NR^6-$, then R^6 is other than H.

7. (Original): A compound selected from:

3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-N-(3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(5-(2-chloropyridylmethyl))aniline,

3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-N-(3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(3-(2-chloropyridylmethyl))aniline,

3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-N-(3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3,5-dimethylisoxazolymethyl))-aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(3-aminocarbonylphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-N-(3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(5-(4-chloropyridylmethyl))aniline,

3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-N-(3-carboxy-4-chlorophenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-N-(4-(1-pyrrol-1-yl)phenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-N-(3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(5-(4-methoxypyridylmethyl))aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-phenyl-N-(3-(2-ethoxypyridylmethyl))aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(3-methylaminocarbonylphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(3-(2-hydroxyethyl)aminocarbonylphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(4-carboxyphenyl)-N-(5-(4-chloropyridylmethyl))-aniline,

3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-N-(3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3,5-dichloropyridylmethyl))aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-cyclohexylaniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-hydroxy-N-(3-*tert*-butyloxycarbonylphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl))-aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-hydroxy-N-(3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(3-*tert*-butyloxycarbonylphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl))-aniline,

4-Methoxy-3-(*R*)-tetrahydrofuryloxy-N-(3-carboxy-4-chlorophenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3-chloropyridylmethyl))-
aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-phenyl-N-(4-(3-chloropyridylmethyl))aniline,

4-Methoxy-3-(*R*)-tetrahydrofuryloxy-N-(3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(4-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

4-Methoxy-3-(*R*)-tetrahydrofuryloxy-N-(3-pyridyl)-N-(4-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(4-carboxyphenyl)-N-(4-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(4-carboxy-3-chlorophenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(4-carboxy-3-methylphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-
aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(4-carboxy-3-fluorophenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(3-carboxy-4-chlorophenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(3-carboxy-4-fluorophenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3,5-dichloropyridylmethyl))-
aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(4-carboxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3,5-dichloropyridylmethyl))-
aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(4-carboxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3-chloropyridylmethyl))-
aniline,

4-Methoxy-3-(*R*)-tetrahydrofuryloxy-N-(4-carboxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3,5-
dichloropyridylmethyl))aniline,

4-Methoxy-3-(*R*)-tetrahydrofuryloxy-N-(3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3,5-
dichloropyridylmethyl))aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(3-carboxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(3-carboxy-4-methylphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(4-amino-3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(3-carboxy-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(4-acetamido-3-carboxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-N-(4-(N,N-bis(2,4-dimethoxy)benzyl)-aminosulfonylphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)aniline,

Methyl N-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoate,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-bromoaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(N-piperidinylmethyl)aniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(N-morpholinomethyl)aniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(N,N-diethylamino)methyl)aniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-methylthioaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-methylthioaniline,

N-(3-(2-Hydroxy)cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-2-aminoisonicotinic acid,

N-(3-Hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-[3-(3-Hydroxy)cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl]-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-amino-2-chlorobenzoic acid,

N-(3,4-Bis-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-amino-6-methylbenzoic acid,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(5-fluoro-3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(5-(1,3-dimethylpyrazolylmethyl))-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-5-trifluoromethyl-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-6-trifluoromethyl-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cyclopentoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(5-fluoro-3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cyclopentoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(5-fluoro-3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cyclobutyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cyclohexyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cycloheptyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(4-pyranyloxy)phenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(3-[2.2.2-Bicyclooctanyl]oxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cyclopentoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(2,6-difluorobenzyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cyclopentoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3,5-dimethylisoxazolyl))-3-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-amino-5-fluorobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-amino-5-fluorobenzoic acid,

N-(3,4-Bis-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-amino-5-fluorobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cyclobutyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,

N-(3-Cyclohexyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(2-(2-Pyridylethoxy))phenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic
 acid,
 N-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(3-Ethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(3-Isopropoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(2-(3-pyridylethyl))-3-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-chloro-4-(5-
 (2H)-tetrazolyl)aniline,
 N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-chloro-4-(5-(2H)-
 tetrazolyl)aniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3,5-dichloropyridyl)methyl)-
 4-(5-(2H)-tetrazolyl)aniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-
 morpholinyl)aniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-N-methyl-
 1-piperazinyl)aniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(1-
 piperazinyl)aniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(N,N-
 diethylamino)aniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-
 methanesulfonylaniline,

N-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-methylsulfonylaniline,
 N-(3-Cyclopropylmethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(5-chloro-3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-fluorobenzyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(3-Cyclopentylloxy-4-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(3-Ethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-[4-Methoxy-3-(1-propyl)oxyphenyl]-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-[4-Methoxy-3-(2-propyl)oxyphenyl]-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(3-Cyclopropylethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(3-Cyclobutylmethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-aminobenzoic acid,
 N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-hydroxymethylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-hydroxymethylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-piperidinyl)sulfonylaniline,
 N-(3-Cyclopentylloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-methylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-(2-methylphenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-phenylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-phenylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-methylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3,5-dichloropyridylmethyl)-4-phenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(4-(3,5-dichloropyridylmethyl)-4-methyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-ethylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(2-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-chlorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-

methylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-phenylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-phenylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(5-fluoro-3-pyridylmethyl)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-methylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-phenylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-chlorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(2-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(2,4-difluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3,4-difluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(1,1-dimethylethyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(5-chloro-2-thienyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-thienyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-chlorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-cyanophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(2-thienyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-cyanophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(2,6-difluorobenzyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(2,4-

difluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3,4-difluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3-Cyclopropylmethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-chlorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-fluorobenzyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3-Cyclopropylmethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3-Cyclopropylmethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(4-Difluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-ethylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-cyanophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-chlorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3-Ethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(2,4-difluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,

N-(3,4-Bisdifluoromethoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-methylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(3-Cyclopropylmethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-ethylsulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(3-Ethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(3-Ethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3-chlorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(3-Ethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3,4-difluorophenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(3-Ethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(2-thienyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-cyclopentylmethylcarbonylaminosulfonylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)carbonylaminosulfonylaniline,
 N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(1-ethyl-5-methylpyrazol-4-yl)carbonylaminosulfonylaniline,
 N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)sulfonylaniline,
 N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-(4-morpholinyl)sulfonylaniline,
 N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-methylpiperazin-1-

yl)sulfonylaniline,

N-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-morpholinyl)sulfonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)sulfonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)sulfonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-morpholinyl)sulfonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-3-(4-morpholinyl)sulfonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-ethylpiperazin-1-yl)sulfonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-cyclohexylpiperazin-1-yl)sulfonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(3,5-dimethylpiperazin-1-yl)sulfonylaniline,

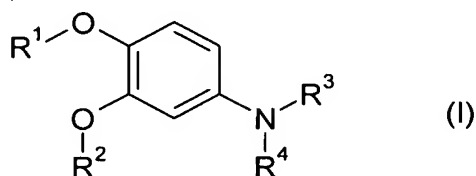
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N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(4-(4-fluorophenyl)piperazin-1-yl)sulfonylaniline,

N-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-N-(3-pyridylmethyl)-4-(2,5-dimethylpyrrol-1-yl)sulfonylaniline,

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof,
 wherein compounds that are optically active can be in the form of their separate enantiomers or mixtures thereof, including racemic mixtures.

8. (Withdrawn -Currently Amended): A method for enhancing cognition in a patient in whom such enhancement is desired comprising administering to said patient an effective amount of a compound according to formula (I):



wherein

R^1 is H;

R^2 is alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, cyano, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, oxo or combinations thereof, and wherein optionally one or more $-CH_2CH_2-$ groups is replaced in each case by $-CH=CH-$ or $-C\equiv C-$ or $-C/C-$,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkyl

having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl in which the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which the arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or is substituted in the aryl portion one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, or combinations thereof, and wherein in the alkyl portion one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- ~~-C/C-~~, and one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O- or -NH- and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, OCF₃, hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or combinations thereof, wherein in the alkyl portion one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- ~~-C/C-~~, and one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O- or -NH- and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof;

R^3 is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, cyano, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, and which is unsubstituted or substituted in the carbocyclic portion one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof, and the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, cyano or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF_3O , nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl, or

heteroarylalkyl group, wherein the heteroaryl portion may be partially or fully saturated and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a

N, O or S atom, the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heteroarylalkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heteroaryl portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof;

R⁴ is H,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkenyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, alkynyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, pyrrolyl, tetrazole-5-yl, 2(-heterocycle)tetrazole-5-yl ~~tetrazole-5-yl~~), hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12

carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof, or

heteroaryl having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a heteroatom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof;

R⁵ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, oxo, or combinations thereof,

alkylamino or dialkylamino wherein each alkyl portion has independently 1 to 8 carbon atoms,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms,

hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms which is substituted unsubstituted, heteroaryl having one or two rings and a total number of 5 to 10 ring atoms wherein at least one of the ring atoms is a heteroatom and which is substituted unsubstituted, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl

group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof;

L is a single bond or a divalent aliphatic radical having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O-, -S-, -NR⁶-, -SO₂NH-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂NR⁶-, -NR⁶SO₂-, -CO-, -NR⁶CO-, -CONR⁶-, -NHCONH-, -OCONH-, -NHCOO-, -SCONH-, -SCSNH-, or -NHCSNH-; and

R⁶ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, oxo, or combinations thereof;

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl;

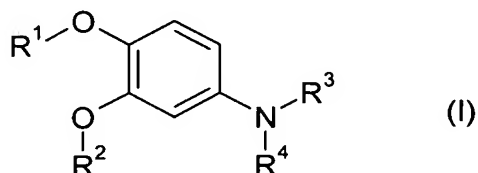
aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms,

wherein R³ and R⁴ are not simultaneously both H; and
pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

9. (Withdrawn): A method according to claim 8, wherein said compound is administered in an amount of 0.01-100 mg/kg of body weight/day.

10. (Withdrawn): A method according to claim 8, wherein said patient is a human.

11. (Withdrawn - Currently Amended): A method of treating a patient suffering from cognition impairment or decline-comprising administering to said patient an effective amount of a compound according to formula (I):



wherein

R^1 is H;

R^2 is alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, cyano, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, oxo or combinations thereof, and wherein optionally one or more $-CH_2CH_2-$ groups is replaced in each case by $-CH=CH-$ or $-C\equiv C-$ ~~$-C/C-$~~ ,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more

times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl in which the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which the arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or is substituted in the aryl portion one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, or combinations thereof, and wherein in the alkyl portion one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- ~~-C/C-~~, and one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O- or -NH- and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or combinations thereof; or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, OCF₃, hydroxy, aryl, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, nitro, oxo, or combinations thereof, wherein in the alkyl portion one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -CH=CH- or -C/C-, and one or more -CH₂- groups are each optionally replaced by -O- or -NH- and/or the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, oxo, hydroxy, cyano, or combinations thereof;

R³ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is branched or unbranched and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, cyano, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, and which is unsubstituted or substituted in the carbocyclic portion one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof, and the alkyl portion is optionally substituted by halogen, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, cyano or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl, or

heteroarylalkyl group, wherein the heteroaryl portion may be partially or fully saturated and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heteroarylalkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted

one or more times in the heteroaryl portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino wherein the alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl or combinations thereof;

R⁴ is H,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkenyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, alkynyl having 2 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, pyrrolyl, tetrazole-5-yl, 2(-heterocycle)tetrazole-5-yl ~~tetrazole-5-yl~~, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having

7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof, or

heteroaryl having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a heteroatom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, OCF₃, amino, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, trialkylsilyloxy wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, R⁵-L-, or combinations thereof;

R⁵ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times with halogen, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, oxo, or combinations thereof,

alkylamino or dialkylamino wherein each alkyl portion has independently 1 to 8 carbon atoms,

a partially unsaturated carbocycle-alkyl group wherein the carbocyclic portion has 5 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, hydroxy, oxo, cyano, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted in the cycloalkyl portion and/or the alkyl portion one or more times by halogen, oxo, cyano, hydroxy, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms and which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms,

hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, cycloalkyl having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms which is substituted unsubstituted, heteroaryl having one or two rings and a total number of 5 to 10 ring atoms wherein at least one of the ring atoms is a heteroatom and which is substituted unsubstituted, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 19 carbon atoms, wherein the aryl portion has 6 to 14 carbon atoms and the alkyl portion, which is branched or unbranched, has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, arylalkyl radical is unsubstituted or substituted, in the aryl portion, one or more times by halogen, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, amino, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, cyano, or methyl,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxy, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxyalkoxy wherein each alkoxy group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, aminomethyl, aminoalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, aminoalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl group has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxyalkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, hydroxamic acid, tetrazole-5-yl, hydroxyalkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, carboxy, alkyl -O-CO- wherein the alkyl portion has 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, alkanoyl having 1 to 13 carbon atoms, aroyl having 7 to 15 carbon atoms, alkylthio having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfinyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkylsulfonyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, phenoxy, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocycle-alkyl group, wherein the heterocyclic portion is saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated, and has 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, and the alkyl portion which is branched or unbranched and has 1 to 5 carbon atoms, the heterocycle-alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, cyano, trifluoromethyl, CF₃O, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, dialkylamino wherein each alkyl